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Director Brady:

We the undersigned members of Congress write to express our deep concern and outrage regarding the recent surge of obscene pornographic and radical gender materials present within the Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA) school system. Public reporting in recent weeks and communications from our military family constituents have confirmed the ubiquity of materials with numerous shocking sexual obscenities. It has been demonstrated to us and the American public the extent to which military connected children are being exposed to thoroughly repugnant material of no true literary value within DoDEA facilities under your leadership. This is unacceptable.

Instead of utilizing DoDEA's finite resources to provide its students with great works of literature, many in the DoDEA are pursuing the introduction of obscene sexual materials that have no educational value whatsoever. The vast number of important cultural, historical, and spiritual volumes that have traditionally helped mold American students into citizens of our shared experiment in self-governance seem to have taken a backseat. All while there is an onslaught of damaging and obscene sexual materials on DoDEA shelves. This is a flagrant dereliction of your duty to educate the next generation of Americans and a particularly egregious failure given that DoDEA's students are children of those defending our freedoms at home and abroad.

For instance, a volume currently available to military connected children is entitled *Sex: A Book for Teens* and contains a sexually obscene cover alongside numerous foul descriptions and images of male and female genitalia.¹ Among these extremely graphic descriptions are the below:

“Breasts: airbags, tits, bee bites, balcony, charleys, boobos, tittybojangles, tracks of land, chesticles, headlights, knockers, boobies, fun bags, dairy pillows

Penis: one eyed-trouser snake, schlong, purple-headed yogurt slinger, dong, wang, wienie, baby arm, dome piece, jimber, Mr. Happy, plonker,

¹ Nikol Hasler. 2010. *Sex: A Book for Teens: An Uncensored Guide to Your Body, Sex, and Safety*. San Francisco: Zest Books, 15.

tallywacker, manhandle, tubesteak, dick, throbbler, knob, tool, donger, putz, winkle, pork sword

Scrotum: bagpipes, crip, fruitbowl, hangy-down bits, lamel, soapbox, webbos, nads, nuts, the boys, balls, plums, eggs, man berries, lads in the bag, the twins

Vagina: kitty, coochie, honey pot, cha cha, flange, poon, lala, lady garden, minge, quim, tunnel of love, vertical smile, vagoo, beaver, box, bald man in a boat, pink taco, va-jay-jay.”²

The book even contains an entire chapter on "kinks, sexual fantasies and fetishes.”³

Another such book called *Respect: Everything a Guy Needs to Know About Sex, Love, and Consent* contains detailed instructions on performing oral sex, masturbation, and recording pornography, even going so far as to “educate” young men when it is “time to send a dick pic.”⁴ A typical entry in this obscene volume is as follows and comes under the subheading “Some ways to jerk off”⁵:

“Some guys can suck themselves off, usually if they have a large penis or are very flexible. Some can sit up and suck, while others need to lie on their back and bring their genitals up and over their head. Warning! If it’s not working, don’t push it. You don’t want to break your neck.”⁶

Yet another volume of this type is *This Book is Gay* ⁷, which moves beyond any attempt to provide students what military parents would consider of any literary value towards what seems to be more akin to a sexual manual:

“Blowies

Oral sex is popping another dude’s peen into your mouth or, indeed, popping yours into his. There is only one hard and fast rule when it comes to blow jobs – WATCH THE TEETH. Lips and tongue, yes; teeth, NO.

² Appendix B.

³Grossman, Hannah. 2022. “Pentagon’s Schools Infested with Shocking Pornographic Material for Military Kids: ‘Time to Send a D*Ck Pic.’” Fox News. October 23, 2022. <https://www.foxnews.com/media/pentagon-schools-infested-shocking-pornographic-material-military-kids-time-send-pic>.

⁴ Ibid.

⁵ Appendix C.

⁶ Inti Chavez Perez. 2019. *Respect: Everything a Guy Needs to Know About Sex, Love, and Consent*. Penguin, 20.

⁷ Appendix D.

As with hand jobs and breakfast eggs, all men like their blow jobs served in different ways. The term 'blow job' is massively misleading, as you won't actually be blowing on his penis – it's more like sucking (although I stress that you're not trying to suck his kidney's out of his urethra) It's more sliding your mouth up and down the shaft of his cock.

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Fingers

Far more effective than a penis in many ways, a hand can do the job of five penises. When gay women refer to having sex, this is usually what they mean. Lesbians can stimulate the clitoris and vagina and bring their partner to orgasm with their fingers; sometimes both partners can do this simultaneously.

Oral

That clitoris really does like being licked and kissed. Again, girls can take it in turns to preform oral sex or, if feeling adventurous, they can preform it at the same time.

Toys and Strap-Ons

Some women like these, some don't. Much has been written about why gay women would seek to play with a replacement penis, but I say who the heck cares – if it feels nice go for it! Moreover a man is more than a penis – just because a woman wants something a bit penis-shaped doesn't mean she fancies broad-shouldered, bearded, no-boobed men.

Toys, dildos, vibrators, and strap-ons all fulfill the same purpose – a prosthesis to insert into the vagina.”⁸

Perhaps the most succinct encapsulation of *This Book is Gay's* message is the following quote which tells children that “we all want to have sex with loads of people” and provides instructions on how to find and participate in orgies:

“Saunas, or 'bath houses,' are dotted all over the country, and they are perfectly legal. People (many saunas run lesbian nights) pay some money to enter and then have a bit of a sauna and some random sex. Again, this is fine as long as you're safe.”⁹

⁸ Dawson, James. 2015. *This Book Is Gay*. Sourcebooks Fire.

⁹ Grossman, Hannah. 2022. “Pentagon’s Schools Infested with Shocking Pornographic Material for Military Kids: ‘Time to Send a D*Ck Pic.’” Fox News. October 23, 2022. <https://www.foxnews.com/media/pentagon-schools-infested-shocking-pornographic-material-military-kids-time-send-pic>

Finally, there is *The Big Questions Book of Sex & Consent* which according to the author's introduction aims to create a "sexually liberated UTOPIA!!!"¹⁰ reporting to its child audience that "this book strives to prepare you, the reader, to be a person who can make a utopia less of a theory and more of a reality. It aims to give you the tools to help create this world—to figure out what creating it might involve."¹¹

We are rightly shocked and disgusted to be referencing such heinous obscenities in our official capacities. Given that you believe this material is appropriate for children, however, we must stand up for military families and understand both the nature and purpose of these obscene materials in the Department of Defense schools you lead. Should you require additional documentation of this vile material, I encourage you to consult the attached appendices of this letter to understand more fully what you are providing to our military children.

In addition to sexually obscene materials, there is also a troubling increase in the amount of radical gender ideology materials present within the DoDEA system. One book currently in DoDEA middle schools is, *Beyond Magenta: Transgender Teens Speak Out*. This book details oral sexual acts performed by an eight-year-old child who claimed to be "sexually mature" and "hated being a kid." Another book in DoDEA collections is called *Middle School's A Drag, You Better Werk!* which records the story of a twelve-year-old boy who starts a business for the management of child drag queen shows. In one particularly disturbing scene, a child is discussing his new drag stage name: "'I'm not a mister,' he says, resting his hands on his knees. 'I'm Coco Caliente, Mistress of Madness and Mayhem.'"¹² A similar volume available to middle schoolers is the *Trans Teen Survival Guide* which offers children information on how to change genders via hormones or surgery without parental consent.¹³

What is perhaps even more concerning than the mere presence of such obscene materials is how DoDEA employees are encouraging their use while simultaneously discouraging the involvement of military parents in their child's education. Fox News has reported that many of the libraries within the DoDEA system have boasted that these books are banned and created specific sections for these obscene materials in their libraries.¹⁴ A DoDEA librarian description of *Answers in the Pages*, a novel detailing a

¹⁰ Appendix E.

¹¹ Grossman, Hannah. 2022. "Pentagon's Schools Infested with Shocking Pornographic Material for Military Kids: 'Time to Send a D*Ck Pic.'" Fox News. October 23, 2022. <https://www.foxnews.com/media/pentagon-schools-infested-shocking-pornographic-material-military-kids-time-send-pic>

¹² Howard, Greg. 2020. *Middle School's a Drag: You Better Werk!* New York: Puffin Books, 18.

¹³ Grossman, Hannah. 2022. "Pentagon's Schools Infested with Shocking Pornographic Material for Military Kids: 'Time to Send a D*Ck Pic.'" Fox News. October 23, 2022. <https://www.foxnews.com/media/pentagon-schools-infested-shocking-pornographic-material-military-kids-time-send-pic>.

¹⁴ Ibid.

child resisting his parent’s efforts to remove a book from the school curriculum, describes the protagonist as “confused about his parents’ complaints about inappropriate content.”¹⁵

Clearly, many of the academic officials you lead are comfortable with, and even encouraging, the sexualization of children. Beyond the moral repugnance of these activities, the well-documented and long-term negative health consequences for young men and women following such sexualization is clear. According to a landmark study published by the American Academy of Pediatrics, teens who experienced increased interactions with obscene sexual material were twice as likely to be involved in teen pregnancies.¹⁶ A similar study found that increased adolescent consumption of degrading sexual content was related to the early initiation of sexual activity and that “cultural messages about expected sexual behavior among males and females may underlie [this] effect.”¹⁷

Adolescent and teen pregnancy, frequently resulting from the aforementioned obscene cultural signals sent by adult role models and other institutional leaders, can result in negative outcomes for both mother, father, and child. According to a National Research Council Panel on Adolescent Pregnancy and Childbearing, teenage pregnancies often result in increased incarceration, poverty, and crime as well as measured decreases in educational and professional opportunities to children born of teenage mothers.¹⁸ Additionally, the child is at a higher risk of an abnormally low birth weight, death, and an increased risk for behavioral problems and certain chronic medical conditions.¹⁹ The impacts to the parents of these children are similarly damaging, with severe decreases in the educational attainment levels of both fathers and mothers following a teen or adolescent pregnancy.²⁰

These detrimental educational effects are mirrored in the negative long-term health outcomes for adults who were exposed to and engaged in sexual acts at an early age. A

¹⁵ Ibid.

¹⁶ Chandra, A., S. C. Martino, R. L. Collins, M. N. Elliott, S. H. Berry, D. E. Kanouse, and A. Miu. 2008. “Does Watching Sex on Television Predict Teen Pregnancy? Findings from a National Longitudinal Survey of Youth.” *PEDIATRICS* 122 (5): 1047–54. <https://doi.org/10.1542/peds.2007-3066>.

¹⁷ Martino, Steven C., Rebecca L. Collins, Marc N. Elliott, Amy Strachman, David E. Kanouse, and Sandra H. Berry. 2006. “Exposure to Degrading versus Nondegrading Music Lyrics and Sexual Behavior among Youth.” *Pediatrics* 118 (2): 430–41. <https://doi.org/10.1542/peds.2006-0131>.

¹⁸ National Research Council (US) Panel on Adolescent Pregnancy and Childbearing. 1987. *Risking the Future: Adolescent Sexuality, Pregnancy, and Childbearing, Volume II: Working Papers and Statistical Appendices*. Edited by Sandra Hoffereth and Cheryl Hayes. Washington, D.C.: National Academics Press. <https://doi.org/10.17226/946>.

¹⁹ Youth.gov. 2000. “Adverse Effects | Youth.gov.” Youth.gov. 2000. <https://youth.gov/youth-topics/pregnancy-prevention/adverse-effects-teen-pregnancy>.

²⁰ Ibid.

study published in *The Journal of Early Adolescence*, for instance, noted that “early sexual initiation predicted having two or more partners (for both males and females) and having a sexually transmitted infection in the past year (for females).”²¹ Another study from the *American Journal of Public Health* found similar results, reporting that “earlier sexual initiation [is] linked to poorer physical health outcomes.”²²

The families of the 66,000 military-connected children entrusted to you deserve more than this. We are shocked that, under your leadership, the negative mental and physical health effects of exposure to obscene pornographic and radical sexual material have been allowed to run rampant. Military parents have the inalienable right to both understand and provide input regarding the education of their children. We demand that that this right be honored in DoDEA schools to rectify the negative outcomes we have outlined above as soon as possible.

We request that by January 9th 2023, you make a staff-level briefing available to both our personal staff and relevant Congressional committee staff in order to discuss these pressing issues further. Additionally, by this same deadline, we request answers to the following questions on your activities leading the DoDEA:

1. How do the sexually obscene and pornographic books described here, and other such volumes in the DoDEA collection, support your stated mission to “Educate, Engage, and Empower military-connected students to succeed in a dynamic world.”²³?
2. What are the current processes for acquiring books relating radical gender ideologies or sexually obscene subjects?
3. What are the current processes for determining if a book or other material is age appropriate for your students?
4. What are the current processes for ascertaining if a book has literary value to students?

²¹ Kugler, Kari C., Sara A. Vasilenko, Nicole M. Butera, and Donna L. Coffman. 2017. “Long-Term Consequences of Early Sexual Initiation on Young Adult Health: A Causal Inference Approach.” *The Journal of Early Adolescence* 37 (5): 662–76. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0272431615620666>.

²² Epstein, Marina, Madeline Furlong, Rick Kosterman, Jennifer A. Bailey, Kevin M. King, Sara A. Vasilenko, Christine M. Steeger, and Karl G. Hill. 2018. “Adolescent Age of Sexual Initiation and Subsequent Adult Health Outcomes.” *American Journal of Public Health* 108 (6): 822–28. <https://doi.org/10.2105/ajph.2018.304372>.

²³ DoDEA Communications. 2019. “About DoDEA.” Dodea.edu. 2019. <https://www.dodea.edu/aboutDoDEA/index.cfm>.

5. According to media reports, the bulk of the sexually obscene, pornographic, and radical gender ideology volumes in your collection were acquired in the past two years.²⁴

Is this accurate? If so, please explain the reason for this sudden increase.

6. Do you or any other high ranking DoDEA officials endorse the goal of creating a “sexually liberated Utopia”²⁵?
7. Have there been any conversations between your staff, your chain of command, and your teachers regarding the negative mental and physical impacts of obscene books on your students?

If not, do you plan on having such conversations following receipt of this letter and when will they be taking place?

8. Among DoDEA’s core values are “Shared Responsibility” and “Trust.” How can you claim that you are meeting your stated commitment to “partnerships among families, students, staff, and community members [that are] characterized by mutual commitment and collaborative effort”²⁶ under current policies?
9. Another core value of the DoDEA is “Continuous Improvement.” In fact, you pledge that your “organization, its systems, and processes will be continually reexamined and improved.”²⁷ In light of this, how do you intend to improve your processes and systems to ensure more military parent involvement?

In summary, early introduction of sexually obscene materials leads to behaviors that harm children’s health, lead to increased teen pregnancies, which result in increased crime and lifelong challenges for those children. The documentation supporting this is not disputed. Continuing to allow this material to be available to students is an intentional decision to harm students.

We look forward to your prompt action on these items.

²⁴ Grossman, Hannah. 2022. “Pentagon’s Schools Infested with Shocking Pornographic Material for Military Kids: ‘Time to Send a D*ck Pic.’” Fox News. October 23, 2022. <https://www.foxnews.com/media/pentagon-schools-infested-shocking-pornographic-material-military-kids-time-send-pic>

²⁵ Freitas, Donna. 2020. *The Big Questions Book of Sex and Consent*. Montclair: Levine Querido.

²⁶ DoDEA Communications. 2019. “About DoDEA.” Dodea.edu. 2019. <https://www.dodea.edu/aboutDoDEA/index.cfm>.

²⁷ Ibid.

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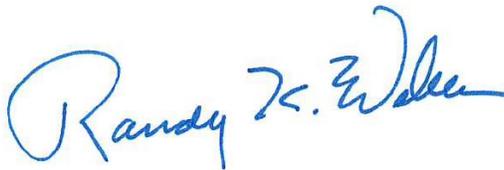
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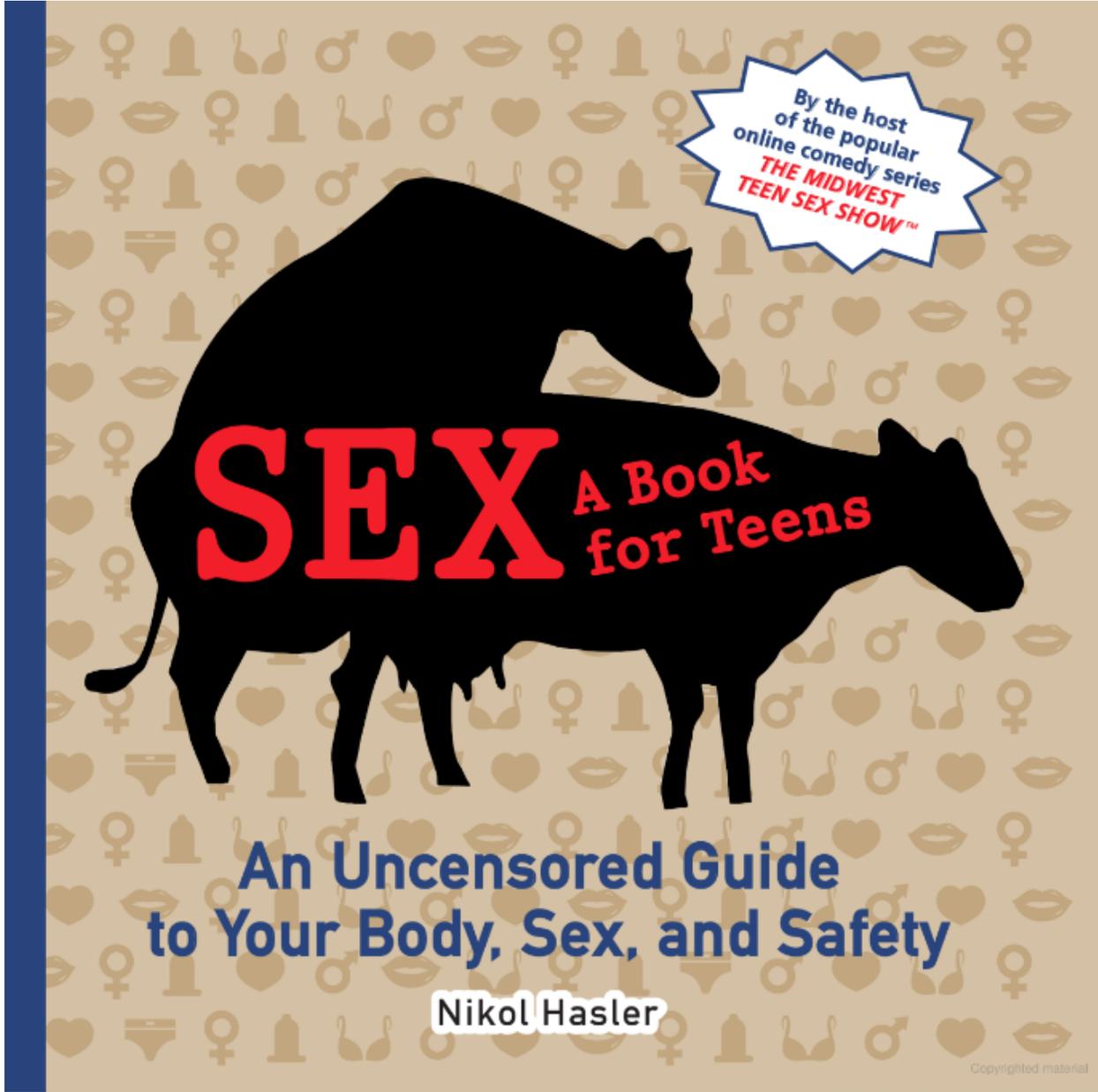
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Appendix A – Sexually Obscene Cover of *Sex: A Book for Teens*



Appendix B – Obscene Descriptions of Male and Female Genitalia in *Sex: A Book for Teens*

What's in a Name?

Although we've mostly been keeping to the basics, there are lots of great (and not so great) names for your body parts! Here are some of our faves.



Breasts: airbags, tits, bee bites, balcony, charleys, boobooos, tittybojangles, tracks of land, chesticles, headlights, knockers, boobies, fun bags, dairy pillows



Penis: one-eyed trouser snake, schlong, purple-headed yogurt slinger, dong, wang, wienie, baby arm, dome piece, jimber, Mr. Happy, plonker, tallywacker, manhandle, tubesteak, dick, throbbler, knob, tool, donger, putz, winkle, pork sword



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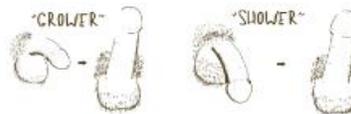
girls are still embarrassed about their periods, as if carrying a tampon is akin to smuggling illegal drugs. But even if you're not talking about it, you know that it's going on.

WHAT'S NORMAL?

While some people's bodies develop before they are even teens, others may not finish developing until after high school. And for some people, the changes to their bodies seem to happen in just a year; others experience the changes more slowly and gradually. This inconsistency in development freaks out some people. Boys may wonder if their penises are too small (unlikely), too big (really unlikely), or just curved weird, while girls start sweating the size of their boobs, which can range from two little bumps to cleavage factories. It's hard, but try not to get too caught up comparing what your body is doing as opposed to everyone else's.

If you are worrying about whether the sizes and appearances of your newly developed parts are normal, rest assured that almost all are. Here are some stats to make you feel better.

* **Penises.** These come in all different sizes, with the average male penis being 5 to 6.5 inches when hard. The size it is while flaccid (meaning soft) varies a lot and actually has nothing to do with what size it grows to when it's excited. Some guys like to think of penises in terms of "growers" or "showers" (the first type is small when flaccid, but gets much bigger when hard; the second type is big when flaccid and grows comparatively less when hard).



* **Breasts.** These range from size AAs to L (that's six sizes larger than triple Ds). Size is determined by all different kinds of factors, including genetics, weight, body size, and personal hormones. Breasts have typically finished growing when girls are about 17, but some girls report really "popping out" as late as college.

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Appendix C – Excerpt from “Solo Sex” Chapter of *Respect: Everything a Guy Needs to Know About Sex, Love, and Consent*

Some ways to jerk off

Guys are sensitive in different places and have different flexibility. Everyone’s body is different, and so we also masturbate in different ways. Some ways may be more common than others, but that doesn’t mean there’s anything wrong with finding your own way of pleasuring yourself. Here are a few examples of what you can do.

HAND

Wrap your whole hand around your penis. If you have a foreskin, pull it back and forward over the glans. If you’re circumcised, you can do the same movement, but it might feel more pleasurable if you squeeze some lube into the palm of your hand. If you don’t have any lube, saliva can work, but it dries quicker.

RING

Touch your forefinger to your thumb to form a ring. Place the ring around the root of the penis and squeeze until it feels good. Move the ring up and down.

SELF-SUCK

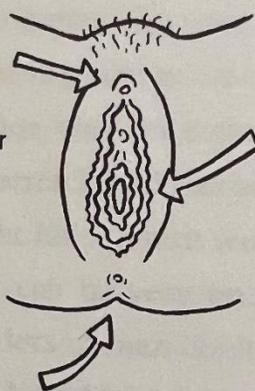
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Appendix D – Obscene Image from *This Book is Gay*

PART TWO: GIRL-ON-GIRL SEX

Here is a diagram of a cisgender woman. If you are also a woman, you are probably aware which parts FEEL NICE when you touch them, but here's a rough guide. Trans women may have slightly different bodies.

Clitoris: Observe the diagram. Women are that little bit harder than men, who have everything dangling out in the open. The clitoris is a super-sensitive cluster of nerve endings that, when rubbed, kissed, or licked, can make a woman orgasm (which is a good thing).



Vagina: The vagina is the opening to the female reproductive system, from which babies pop out. Much, much research has been done on this, and it is thought there is a "G spot" located just inside the vagina. Although the existence of this sexual holy grail has not been proven, many women agree that having things inserted into their vagina feels very nice indeed.

Anus: Although women do not have a prostate gland up their bum, some women like having stuff poked up there too.

Lips: Sex should always start with a kiss. Initially, you might not go any further than a kiss, in fact. Kissing is as intimate as sex, and if you're not comfortable going further than a kiss, a good partner will respect this and wait.



Neck/Ears: These sensitive areas love being kissed and licked.

Nipples: A lot of girls like having their nipples played with—they are mega sensitive.

Skin: Any part of your body will respond to being stroked and kissed.

How This Book Works

What This Book Strives For: A Sexually Liberated UTOPIA!!!

(Yeah, yeah. I see you rolling your eyes. Get that cynicism out of your system now, because, like, I'm totally serious about this! Why not aim high?)

So, what is a utopia anyway?

Well, it's kind of the opposite of a *dystopia*, which you're probably already familiar with, because I bet you've read or watched Suzanne Collins's *The Hunger Games*, where children are selected (against their will) to participate in an obsessively watched reality TV-like situation where they fight to the death. Yup. That's about as dystopian as it gets.

With respect to sex and consent and the world we're actually living in? Sometimes I do feel like things are rather dystopian. Instead of doing all that it takes to fight against systemic sexual violence and gender and sex discrimination and shaming, we